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Mass Schedule: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m.

Saturday 4:00 ~ 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 ~ 3:45 p.m. and by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Father George E. Morin, Pastor

Mid-week Assistance Father Donald Skerry, SVD

Weekend Assistance Father Lawrence Wetterholm - Father Vincent Cornejo

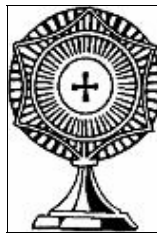
**The Solemnity of Mary,
the Mother of God**

Masses

Sunday, December 31—4:00 p.m.**Monday, January 1—10:00 a.m.**

Begin the New Year in Prayer: On Sunday, December 31 from 10:30 p.m. until 12 Midnight you are invited to a Vigil of Prayer here at Saint Margaret's. The one and a half hour will consist of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Scripture readings, silent and spoken reflections and the chaplet of Mercy. The Vigil will end with a toast for a Happy, Healthy and Holy New Year. All are welcome. **Please call the Rectory to let us know if you are coming (781-233-1040).**

Christmas Flowers and Decorations: We wish to add **Cheryl Almeida** to our list of loved ones in whose memory the Church Christmas Flowers and decorations were made. Please excuse this omission. Please let us know if there are any other omissions and/or misspellings in our listing of memorial gifts. Thank you for your understanding.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacra-**

ment: Please join us on Wednesday, January 10, 2007 and every Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for an hour of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. At 7:00 p.m. those present participate in the recitation of the

Rosary. Come, pray the Rosary and stay for all or part of that special weekly hour. You deserve the peace and quiet that come from being in the presence of the Lord. Everyone is welcome. **Our recent Church painting and renovations have disrupted this weekly time of Adoration. Things will return to normal on January 10, 2007. Thank you for your patience and understanding.**

**Saint Vincent de Paul Society:**

Thank you for your kindness and generosity not only for the various drives but for remembering to place offerings in the poor boxes throughout the year and for your food donations the second weekend of each month! Thanks to your support we make the following report on what was donated for the benefit of the needy and homeless: Socks: 354 pair; Hats & Mittens 395; Blankets 120 (3 sheets). Thank you very much.

Mass Intentions

Elizabeth Woodbury	6th Anniversary Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(12/30)
Susan LaVacca	3rd Anniversary Mass	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(12/31)
Rosalie Klecker	7th Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(12/31)
Richard Reynolds	5th Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Monday	(1/1)
George Woodbury	3rd Anniversary Mass	9:00 a.m. Thursday	(1/4)
Albert Dello Russo	28th Anniversary Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(1/6)
Lucian & Edwin Cherubin	Memorial Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(1/6)
John & Mary Iannuzzi	2nd Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(1/7)



Religious Education

Religious Education Classes are as scheduled:

Grades 1 through 6: Sunday mornings at the Belmonte Middle School from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Classes will resume after the Christmas Break on January 7, 2007

Grades 7 & 8: Friday, January 5, 2007 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Saint Margaret Parish Hall.

Grade 9 (First Year Confirmation): Wednesdays, in the Parish Hall from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Classes resume after the Christmas break on Wednesday, January 17, 2007.

Grade 10 (Second Year Confirmation): The next class for Students & Sponsors is Sunday, January 21, 2007 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Parish Offertory Envelopes: We encourage the use of Parish Envelopes for your weekly donation to help support our Parish. If you wish to receive envelopes, please give us the following information:

Name:

Address:

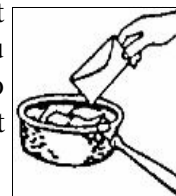
Epiphany

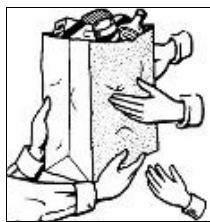
Next Sunday, January 7 is the Feast of the Epiphany, the day on which wise men from the east arrived in search of the newborn king and to present to him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. At St. Margaret's we are please to present our annual **Epiphany Pageant** at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Many children and young people help us to retell the timeless story of the beginning of our salvation. Our thanks to Mary Ellen Picardi who is coordinating our pageant once again this year and to all our young people and children who participate in this wonderful event. Come to the 10:00 a.m. Mass next weekend and help celebrate this special feast of our Church.

The Grand Annual Collection: In November a letter was sent to each registered household of the Parish, seeking support for the Grand Annual Collection. Each household was asked to contribute if possible \$200.00. To date 146 Parish families have donated \$22,620 to the Grand Annual. Thank you very much. All donations to this collection are used totally for the benefit of St. Margaret Parish.

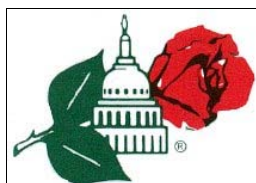
The Christmas Collection, taken up for the Clergy Benefit Trust for the Priests of the Archdiocese of Boston for their retirement and medical needs, was \$5,322.00. Thank for your kindness and generosity. Attendance at Christmas Masses was 971.

The Offertory Collection last Sunday was \$3,116.00. Thank you very much for your generosity to the Parish. Attendance at Mass last weekend was 594.





United Parish Food Pantry: On the second weekend of each month we collect food for our local food pantry. The Food Pantry is located at the Cliftondale Congregational Church, 50 Essex Street. If you are free on Friday mornings, volunteers are always needed. Drop by at 9:30 a.m. or call Carol Cashman at 781-558-1092 to volunteer. The Pantry operates on Fridays from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. (Please note the expiration date on the items you donate. Food that has gone beyond the expiration date cannot be given away and must be thrown out. Thank you for your cooperation.) **Our next Food Collection Weekend is January 13 & 14.** Your donation of food is always needed and very much appreciated. Thank you.



34th Annual March for Life:

The Immaculate Conception Parish (Malden/Medford) Respect Life Committee is once again planning a pilgrimage to the 34th Annual March for Life in Washington, D. C. The group will leave from St. Margaret's Church in Burlington by motor coach on Sunday morning, January 21 and will return on Tuesday evening, January 23. The cost is \$220.00 per person, double occupancy (\$350.00 single) until January 7 (cost will be a little higher after that date). Come and be inspired by the ten of thousands of young people who will witness to the Gospel of Life in this non-confrontational event. Please call Janet Callahan at 781-324-3564 to register or for more information.



Monday Morning Bible

Study: You are welcome to join our Monday morning Bible Study Group which meets in the Parish Hall immediately after the 9:00 a.m. morning Mass. Using the Little Rock Bible Study series, the participants will be studying the Women of the New Testament. Come on Monday, January 8, 2007, to receive your materials and an overview of what and how the program works and see the benefit that comes from being formed in the Word of God. All welcome.

Youth Activities

Junior HIGH Happening: Parents! Are you looking for a high-energy, fun-filled, spiritual growth experience for you 7th/8th grader? If so, this is it!!! **SNOWCAMPS 2007** will be held on the weekend of **March 2 - 4, 2007** at Camp Brookwoods in Alton, NH. Youths from throughout the archdiocese will be participating in what could very well be the best weekend of their lives! Sign-up now as space for SNOWCAMPS is limited and will sell out. For application and information contact Andrea at smym06@yahoo.com

CYO Basketball: In a wonderful collaborative effort involving the youth of both Saint Margaret and Blessed Sacrament Parishes, we have three teams (2 boy's teams and 1 girl's team) involved in the



CYO youth basketball league. Thanks to the work of Anne Marie Glowacz and Earl Reed we are able to offer this program to our youth. All are welcome to cheer our teams on at the Saugus High School Gym on Sunday afternoons beginning at 12:15 p.m.

The Living Rosary Pilgrimage: On Sunday, January 14 at 2:00 p.m. you are invited to Holy Family Parish, 26 Bessom Street, Lynn for Benediction and the recitation of the Rosary and the Chaplet of Mercy. All welcome.

A Time of Discernment: Cardinal Sean will offer two distinct retreat to assist men in discerning their Vocation to the Priesthood. The first will be on Thursday, February 1 at Blessed John XXIII Seminary in Weston and is for men ages 40 and over. The second will be February 2—4 at St. John's Seminary in Brighton and is for men ages 18 to 40. For information call the Vocation Office of the Archdiocese at 617-746-5949. Pray for vocations!

*The more we depend on God,
the more dependable God is.*

Grand Annual Appeal Letter: On November 12, 2006, the following letter was sent to all registered Parishioners of the Parish asking their support of the Parish Grand Annual Collection, asking each household for a donation of (if possible) \$200.00. As reported in this bulletin we have received \$22,260.00 from 146 Parish families. We are grateful to those who have responded to our appeal. At this time I would also ask those who attend St. Margaret's and may not be registered to hear and respond to the Parish Grand Annual Collection. Everything collected in the Grad Annual Collection is used totally here at St. Margaret's. Thank you for your consideration.

Dear Parishioners of Saint Margaret's Parish:

For the past several years the Grand Annual Collection has exceeded expectations! As a direct result there have been significant improvements in several areas of Parish life, ministry and property.

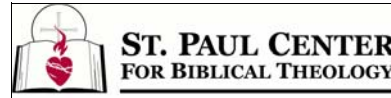
Last year, a youth minister was added to our Parish staff. Andrea Alberti has made a significant difference in the Religious Education Programs we offer for our youth, grades 7 through 10. Her strong Catholic faith, her enthusiasm and dedication are very visible not to mention her love for our youth. We are blessed to have her in our Parish. Your support of our youth ministry is essential to its success.

If you have walked into the Church lately, you will see that a few improvements have been made: new and brighter lighting, a beautiful new stone tile floor has been installed in the Church foyer, and the sanctuary wood floors have been restored. These are just a few of the improvements. The Church will be painted soon and new carpeting installed. Everything should look great for Christmas.

The Parish Hall too has been freshly painted and the support posts will be encased with new lighting added. These improvements need your support.

Last year's Grand Annual received \$39,059.00 from 230 parishioners. Thank you so much. Gifts received ranged from \$5,000.00 to \$5.00. As in the past, may I suggest a donation of \$200.00 per Parish family? Certainly as in previous years, some will give more and some are only able to give less. Please know that whatever you give will be used entirely for the benefit of Saint Margaret's Parish. Grateful for whatever you are able to do in support of our Parish, know that I am,

Sincerely yours,
Rev. George E. Morin



Our True Home *By Dr. Scott Hahn*

Why did Jesus choose to become a baby born of a mother and father and to spend all but His last years living in an ordinary human family? In part, to reveal God's plan to make all people live as one "holy family" in His Church (see 2 Corinthians 6:16-18). In the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, God reveals our true home. We're to live as His children, "chosen ones, holy and beloved," as the First Reading puts it. The family advice we hear in today's readings - for mothers, fathers and children - is all solid and practical. Happy homes are the fruit of our faithfulness to the Lord, we sing in today's Psalm. But the Liturgy is inviting us to see more, to see how, through our family obligations and relationships, our families become heralds of the family of God that He wants to create on earth. Jesus shows us this in today's Gospel. His obedience to His earthly parents flows directly from His obedience to the will of His heavenly Father. Joseph and Mary aren't identified by name, but three times are called "his parents" and are referred to separately as his "mother" and "father." The emphasis is all on their "familial" ties to Jesus. But these ties are emphasized only so that Jesus, in the first words He speaks in Luke's Gospel, can point us beyond that earthly relationship to the Fatherhood of God. In what Jesus calls "My Father's house," every family finds its true meaning and purpose (see Ephesians 3:15). The Temple we read about in the Gospel today is God's house, His dwelling (see Luke 19:46). But it's also an image of the family of God, the Church (see Ephesians 2:19-22; Hebrews 3:3-6; 10:21). In our families we're to build up this household, this family, this living temple of God. Until He reveals His new dwelling among us, and says of every person: "I shall be his God and he will be My son" (see Revelation 21:3,7).

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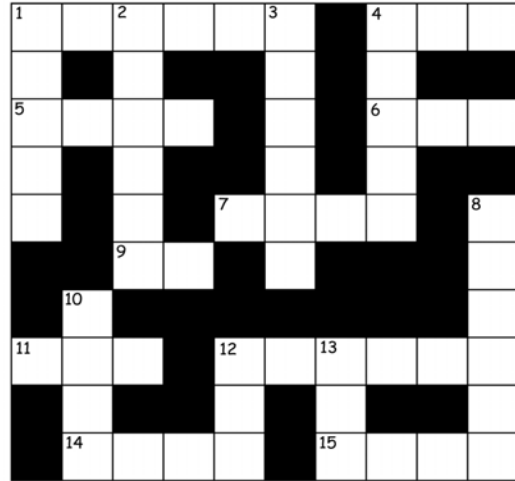
BIBLE RESEARCH

The first reading tells how a boy named Samuel was taken to 'the temple of the LORD in Shiloh.' This temple was not the same one that Jesus knew, much later, in Jerusalem. See what you can discover about this earlier temple at Shiloh.

The Temple in Jerusalem, where Jesus listened to the religious teachers and asked them questions, was a much grander affair than the one at Shiloh. It is often called 'the temple of Herod,' because it was one of King Herod's building projects. You will be able to find a lot of information about this temple, including detailed reconstructions of what it looked like.

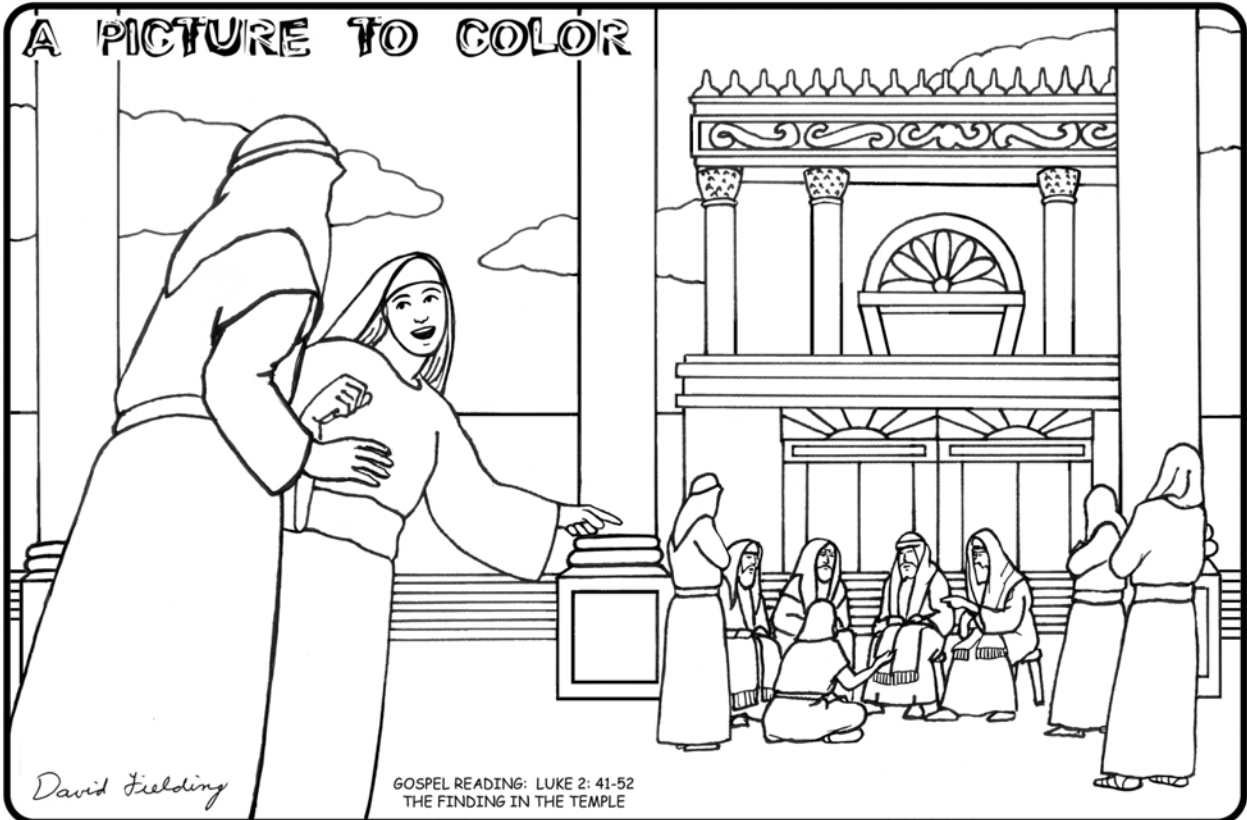
CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS 1. Father of Jesus 4. Priest at Shiloh
 5. Means 'spoke' 6. Same as finish 7. Mother of Jesus
 9. Male pronoun 11. Samuel and Jesus were both this
 12. Left at Shiloh 14. Contained wine 15. We all have one.



CLUES DOWN 1. Son of Mary 2. There was a temple there
 3. Mother of Samuel 4. Like 'each' 8. The age of Jesus when he was missing for three days
 10. Elkanah was going to fulfil these 12. Jesus and Samuel were both this
 13. Jesus and Samuel would both become this

A PICTURE TO COLOR



GOSPEL READING: LUKE 2: 41-52
 THE FINDING IN THE TEMPLE

If you choose one moment to explore your Catholic faith, make it the Catholic Men’s and Women’s Conference

- Inspirational speakers addressing real life issues and topics
- Chance to meet and discuss issues with like minded people
- A forum to bring focus to your spiritual life



Boston Catholic Men’s Conference – Please join many men from St. Margaret Parish who are attending the 3rd Annual Boston Catholic Men’s Conference on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center in South Boston. Speakers will include Carl Anderson (CEO and Chairman of the Knights of Columbus), Cardinal Peter Turkson (1st Cardinal ever from Ghana), Cardinal Sean O’Malley (Mass Celebrant), Martin Doman (popular contemporary Catholic Musician and Worship Leader) and The Landrys, Fr. Roger Landry (Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua, New Bedford), Scot Landry (Conference Founder and Secretary for Institutional Advancement of the Archdiocese of Boston). For more information, please contact Chuck or Anna Swain at 781-233-8442 or by email at enjoylifetoday@comcast.net or www.bostoncatholicmen.org, email info@bostoncatholicmen.org, phone 617-977-0916. Ticket price before 12/31/06 is \$25.00. Ticket price between 1/1/07 – 1/31/07 is \$30.00. Ticket price after

2/1/07 is \$40.00. St Margaret Parish will provide transportation via a bus.

Boston Catholic Women’s Conference – Please join many women from St. Margaret Parish who are attending the 2nd Annual Boston Catholic Women’s Conference on Sunday, March 18, 2007 from 8am-6pm at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center in South Boston. Speakers will include Immaculee Ilibagiza (Rwandan Holocaust survivor and Author of Left to Tell), Dana Scallon (Former Candidate for Irish President & Irish Singer), Johnnette Benkovic (Founder of Women of Grace & Living His Life Abundantly EWTN), Cardinal Sean O’Malley (Mass Celebrant) and others. For more information, please contact Chuck or Anna Swain at 781-233-8442 or by email at enjoylifetoday@comcast.net or visit www.bostoncatholicwomen.org, email info@bostoncatholicwomen.org, phone 617-977-0916. Ticket price before 12/31/06 is \$25.00. Ticket price between 1/1/07 – 1/31/07 is \$30.00. Ticket price after 2/1/07 is \$40.00. St Margaret Parish will provide transportation via a bus.



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Street Address:	Email:
City, State, Zip	How your heard:
Parish:	Would you like to be contacted about upcoming events?